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ABSTRACT

Straight Talk about Risks (STAR) is a pre-kindergarten through grade 12 curriculum designed to reduce the potential for children and teens to be injured or killed in gunfire. STAR is based on sound prevention practices developed from a pilot project in Dade County (Florida). The flexible format allows activities to fit into a 3-week classroom unit or be taught over a number of weeks. Parents are a vital link to reduce gun violence among children and teens, and their involvement is integral to STAR. This curriculum guide for pre-kindergarten through grade 5 contains the following sections: (1) "Before You Begin--Orientation"; (2) "Suggestions for Parent and Community Involvement"; (3) "Activity Plans and Bibliography for Early Elementary Students, Grades Pre-K-2"; (4) "Activity Plans and Bibliography for Upper Elementary Students, Grades 3-5"; (5) "Academic Bibliography for Educators and Parents"; and (6) "National Directory of Violence Prevention Resources." Included are 75 annotated bibliography items and 73 non-annotated bibliography items. (SLD)

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